of Accounts and Finance, who were on deputation from the Government of Uttar Pradesh, Government of Bihar and NAFED respectively were found involved in the irregularities in the chickpeas case. NCCF has taken up the matter with the parent Governments/Offices of these officers to initiate disciplinary action and this matter is being pursued vigorously.

(b) NCCF has filed legal suits against the concerned banks for recovery of the guarantee amount. Explanations have been called for from other officers of the NCCF, who were found involved in the irregularities. However, this case has been referred to CBI for investigation.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) According to the Agreement between the two parties, the Managing Director or his nominee shall act as Arbitrator in case of any disputes. The Managing Director, NCCF, nominated Manager (Coordination), to enter upon the reference as sole Arbitrator. The Arbitration Proceedings have started with effect from 17-7-1987.

**Lesilting of Ganda Nala pipe in Karol Bagh, New Delhi**

2452. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number and date on which the underground pipes of the (Ganda Nala) running from Pusa Road to Rohtak Road, New Delhi were desilted and cleaned during the last three years; yearwise.

(b) whether it is a fact that the desilting work has not been done since the laying of the underground pipes; and

(e) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what action Government propose to taken in this mater?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

**Drainage system in Karol Bagh New Delhi**

2453. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that due to faulty drainage system in the areas around 14A, 15A, 16A and other blocks in the Western Extension Area, Karol Bagh, New Delhi, rain water overflows the lanes particularly of 14A Block, W.E.A. and inundates houses and shops situated there, thus causing damages to household and business premises and properties;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that the existing system of carrying the storm water in these areas is inadequate and non-functioning; and

(c) if so, what action Government have taken or propose to take to employ more effective storm water carrying system in these areas to save citizens from facing damages to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

**Production of pulses**

2454. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL MATTO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the steep rise in the prices of